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Please amend the first full paragraph on page 14 of the specification as follows:

--Transgenic mice lacking overexpressing receptor protein specifically recognizing bacterial DNA having an unmethylated CpG sequence can be generated by constructing introduced genes by fusing chicken β actin, mouse neurofilament, promotors such as SV40, and rabbit β -globin, polyA such as SV40 or intron with cDNA encoding receptor proteins specifically recognizing bacterial DNA having an unmethylated CpG sequence such as TLR9, microinjecting the introduced genes to pronucleus of mouse fertilized eggs, transplanting the obtained cells to an oviduct of recipient mice after culturing them, then breeding the transplanted animals, and selecting child mice having the cDNA from born child mice. Further, selection of the child mice having cDNA can be performed by dot hybridization wherein crude cDNA was extracted from mouse tails and others, and genes encoding receptor proteins specifically recognizing bacterial DNA having an introduced unmethylated CpG sequence is used as a probe, or PCR method using specific primers and others.--